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Making a Contribution

One of the problems faced by an editor is that of finding suitable material to fill his pages. That is particularly so in a special interest publication, such as this one. One reason is that our readership consists of very accomplished, highly motivated men and women who constantly seek improvement in the areas addressed by *The Linacre Quarterly*. This is a discerning group which both desires and needs the best that can be obtained. Another reason, still more important, is that there is a moral obligation on our part to present the teachings of the magisterium of the Church as well as humanly possible. This we owe to our readers and our Lord.

We have been fortunate that, over the years, quite a number of scholars and health care professionals have had much to say of considerable value. At times, there has even been something of a surplus. This has sometimes meant delay and we thank those who have waited patiently for their papers to be published.

As noted on our cover, this journal is concerned with the philosophy and ethics of the practice of medicine. Any reader can help us in our efforts. This can be done by encouraging colleagues to send us, for publication, any writings which will address the ethical concerns of the Catholic physician. As a practical matter, it helps immensely if the submission is typed, double-spaced, and on good quality paper. Our proofreader asks that small typefaces be avoided, as these are difficult to edit.

As always, we are here to serve. We value the suggestions and contributions of our readers. Please help us to continue our work.

— John P. Mullooly, M.D.
Editor